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Frisco Police's Zero Tolerance Policy on Intoxicated Drivers Creates a DWI No Refusal Weekend for Violators

FRISCO, TX – Starting tonight and running through this Sunday, December 13, the Frisco Police Department will be enforcing a “no refusal” policy for those persons arrested for Driving While Intoxicated. Intoxicated drivers who are arrested by Frisco police officers will be provided an opportunity to give a voluntary breath specimen and, if they refuse, will then be required by a judge’s order to provide a blood specimen.

Nurses will be at the Frisco City Jail all weekend long to take blood once officers obtain signed warrants from area judges. The on-site nurses are funded by the Collin County District Attorney’s Office at no charge to the police department. “We are fortunate to have an excellent working relationship with the Collin County District Attorney’s Office and appreciate their efforts to help us combat intoxicated driving,” said Lieutenant David Shilson. Shilson oversees the police department’s Traffic Unit and noted that without the help from the DA’s Office the opportunity to have nurses on location at the police department may not have been possible.

Last year, the Frisco Police Department arrested 283 people for intoxicated driving. With 20 days left in 2009, officers have arrested 282 people this year for intoxicated driving and are expecting more arrests as the holidays get closer. The Frisco Police Department is dedicated to reducing the number of intoxicated driving incidents that occur in the city and looks forward to opportunities such as this to help enforce the department’s zero tolerance approach to DWI enforcement.

Driving While Intoxicated ranges from a Class B Misdemeanor to a felony in The State of Texas depending on a variety of factors, such as prior offender convictions, accidents involving injury, and ages of passengers in the vehicle.

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